

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—29)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:04 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, March 12, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2156.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for agricultural research, education, and extension programs of the 1996 Farm Bill, receiving testimony from Bruce Alberts, President, National Academy of Sciences, on behalf of the National Research Council; Terry Kinney, York, South Carolina, former Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, Department of Agriculture; Dennis T. Avery, Hudson Institute, Churchville, Virginia; R. Rodney Foil, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi, on behalf of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges; Richard F. Ross, Iowa State University, Ames; Samuel L. Donald, University of Maryland-Eastern Shore, Princess Anne, on behalf of the Association of Research Directors for the 1890 Land-Grant Universities; Ron McNeil, Sitting Bull College, Fort Yates, North Dakota, on behalf of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium; Margaret N. Perry, University of Tennessee, Martin, on behalf of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities; and Victor L. Lechtenberg, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, on behalf of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board/Department of Agriculture.

Hearings continue on Thursday, March 13.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Mary Ann Keeffe, Acting Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services, William E. Ludwig, Administrator, and George A. Braley, Associate Administrator, both of the Food and Consumer Service, and Dennis Kaplan, Deputy Director for Budget, Legislative and Regulatory Systems, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Subcommittee will meet again on Thursday, March 13.

APPROPRIATIONS—SBA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, and Related Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Small Business Administration, receiving testimony from Aida Alvarez, Administrator, Small Business Administration.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for Navy and Air Force military construction programs, receiving testimony from Robert B. Pirie, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installations and Environment; and Rodney A. Coleman, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower, Reserve Affairs, Installation, and Environment.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA-HUD, and Independent Agencies held hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Ann Brown, Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission; Teresa Nasif, Director, Consumer Information Center; and Leslie L. Byrne, Special Assistant to the President and Director, Office of Consumer Affairs.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, March 18.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on the military strategies and operational requirements of the unified commands, receiving testimony from Gen. J.H. Binford Peay III, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Central Command; Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Southern Command; and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Special Operations Command.

Hearings continue on Thursday, March 13.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisition and Technology held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on science and technology programs, receiving testimony from Paul Kaminski, Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, and

Anita K. Jones, Director, Defense Research and Engineering, both of the Department of Defense; John Douglass, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; Authur Money, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition; Larry Lynn, Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency; and A. Fenner Milton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research and Technology.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

1998 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings to examine an alternative budget proposal for fiscal year 1998 by a House coalition, receiving testimony from Representatives Minge and Stenholm, both on behalf of the Coalition Budget Task Force.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

MEDICAID REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the National Governors' Association views on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998 for Medicaid, focusing on Medicaid cost saving strategies, children's health, and managed care quality, receiving testimony from Utah Governor Michael O. Leavitt, Salt Lake City, and Nevada Governor Bob Miller, Carson City, both on behalf of the National Governors' Association.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CENSUS 2000

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings to examine Department of Commerce plans to provide for an accurate 2000 decennial census, receiving testimony from William M. Daley, Secretary, Everett M. Ehrlich, Under Secretary for Economic

Affairs, and Martha Farnsworth Riche, Director, Bureau of the Census, all of the Department of Commerce.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

FEDERAL JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Employment and Training concluded oversight hearings to review the effectiveness of Federal job training programs and changes needed to meet the skill demands in a competitive marketplace, after receiving testimony from Raymond J. Uhalde, Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor; Arnold R. Tompkins, Ohio Department of Human Services, Columbus; Robert T. Jones, National Alliance of Business, Washington, D.C.; Gary Walker, Private Public Ventures, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and William J. Spring, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the MASS Jobs Council.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee approved their fiscal year 1998 budgetary views and estimates on programs which fall under the jurisdiction of the committee which they will make to the Committee on the Budget.

NOMINATION

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee began hearings on the nomination of Anthony Lake, of Massachusetts, to be Director of Central Intelligence, where the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Kennedy, Kerry, and McCain, and former Senator Rudman, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H.R. 1003–1029; 1 private bill, H.R. 1030; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 62–63, H. Con. Res. 42–45, and H. Res. 89 and 91, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 649, to amend sections of the Department of Energy Organization Act that are obsolete or inconsistent with other statutes and to repeal a related section of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (H. Rept. 105–11);

H.R. 651, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington (H. Rept. 105–12);

H.R. 652, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington (H. Rept. 105–13);

H.R. 914, to make certain technical corrections in the Higher Education Act of 1965 relating to graduation data disclosures (H. Rept. 105–14);

H. Res. 88, providing for consideration of H.R. 852, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, popularly known as the Paperwork Reduction